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May Outlaw Hadassah, Histadrut Drives

Agency Denial of Postponement Seen As Part of Tug of War

NEW YORK—Refusal of the Jewish Agency to grant a postponement of the forthcoming Zionist Actions Committee meeting is the newest move in the tug of war between Rabbi Silver and Dr. Neumann versus the Jewish Agency.

It is felt here that Dr. Silver and Dr. Neumann will not attend the session of the Actions Committee, which has been set for May 3, nor the meetings of the Jewish Agency set for April 27.

Observers say Dr. Neumann asked for the postponement until following the ZOA convention here at the end of next month so that he and Dr. Silver might be able to go to the sessions with the backing of a new ZOA administration pledged to support them. As it is, the position of Silver and Neumann is considerably weakened by the prospect that the present administration in the ZOA may be unseated by the Committee for Progressive Zionism.

There is also the feeling here that the meetings in Israel will take up the controversial large scale U. S. campaigns of Hadassah and the Histadruth for funds, which many claim sap manpower and funds from the United Jewish Appeal Drive. Eliezer Kaplan, Israel's treasurer, is said to be opposed to these diversionary drives and a bitter fight is expected over this issue.

It's Kermit Roosevelt Again

COUNCIL SPEAKER WARNS JEWS OF ANTI-SEMITISM WAVE

PHILADELPHIA—Kermit Roosevelt used a platform of the American Council for Judaism again to warn the Jews of the "greatest danger of anti-Semitism that this country has yet seen" in a speech last Thursday at a dinner meeting of the Philadelphia Chapter.

Mr. Roosevelt laid the groundwork for his case by stating "That it is neither right nor wise for an American citizen to commit himself without reservation to the support of any foreign state."

He then went on to enlarge his thesis by stating that in choosing between Britain and Israel, America's "choice must be Britain."

The warning was proceeded by the charge of possible endangering "important American national interests." He said the distinction between the religion of Judaism and the nationalism of Israel must be recognized by all concerned.

Israel Buys 10,000 Tons Of Wheat From Canada

MONTREAL (JTA)—The Israeli Government has just purchased 10,000 tons of hard spring wheat in Canada for shipment to the Jewish state, it was revealed here this week by the Zionist Organization of Canada. Three thousand tons will be shipped from Quebec this month, while the remaining 7,000 tons will be dispatched from Vancouver on April 20.

Students, CCNY Wait Next Move In Knickerbocker Case As 18 Students Taken To Court After Clash On Campus

NEW YORK—The explosive Knickerbocker case popped back onto the front pages this week when 18 students, three of them girls, were hauled away to court after a clash with police, which police described as a near riot.

Prof. William E. Knickerbocker, accused by the American Jewish Congress of anti-Semitism, and for four years held to be such by the majority of the City College Student body where he is head of the department of Romance Languages, got the better of the publicity. Newspapers carried his charges that he believed a small group of communists were responsible for the clash. His position was bolstered by a statement of president H. N. Wright, who trotted out a new issue—that the authorities would not be coerced by student action.

The student body at day classes voted last

Friday to conduct the strike, following a referendum ordered by the Student Council.

For four years now, Professor Knickerbocker has been the center of a series of sit-down strikes, deliberate absenteeism from classes, hearings and new newspaper charges. Knickerbocker is accused of bias towards Jewish instructors in his department, refusing to grant an award to a Jewish student clearly deserving it, and to have uttered opprobrious anti-Jewish remarks.

What the next move in the long-drawn out affair will be, was being awaited by faculty, student body, and the police. Dr. Wright told newspapers this week that Knickerbocker had been thoroughly investigated by competent school authorities and no "justification has been found for punitive action."

Dewey Stone Endorsed For ZOA Presidency; Seen As Compromise

NEW YORK—The fight for the presidency of the Zionist Organization of America took a new turn this week with endorsement of Dewey Stone, prominent Boston Zionist leader, by the influential New England Zionist Region executive at a specially-called meeting in Boston Sunday.

Meanwhile Dan Frisch, who has been widely backed, picked up another important endorsement when the Bronx Zionist Region jumped on the Frisch bandwagon, which already includes the powerful Brooklyn Region and the Chicago, and Detroit and Ohio Valley Region, among others.

CPZ To Nominate, Asks For Coalition

NEW YORK—Several hundred Zionist leaders from all sections of the United States will attend the special nominating conference called by the Committee for Progressive Zionism at the Hotel Commodore Sunday, to select candidates at the forthcoming national elections of the Zionist Organization of America.

In a special statement issued here, the Executive of the CPZ declared that it proposes "the election of a coalition administration in which all elements in the ZOA shall be represented."

Speakers at the conference will include Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Louis Lipsky, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Abraham Feinberg, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Harold J. Goldenberg, Ezra Shapiro and Rudolf G. Sonneborn.

Frisch 'Unsuited' Says CPZ Leader

DENVER, Colo.—Daniel Frisch was characterized as "pathetically unsuited" for the position of president of the Zionist Organization of America in a lead editorial in The Intermountain Jewish News, written especially by Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, a member of the executive committee of the Committee for Progressive Zionism. Mr. Frisch, leading candidate for the position, was described as "completely unsympathetic to the social objectives of the present Labor Government in Israel."

Rabbi Friedman challenged the Denver Zionist District to call a special meeting at which the issue would be debated.

ANTI-BRITISH RIOTS IN AMMAN, AS GLUBB PASHA BLAMES UN

TEL AVIV—While this city's newspapers reported from Amman that anti-British demonstrations took place in the Transjordan capital, Glubb Pasha, British chief of the Arab Legion, said that Israel won control of Palestine through its influence in the United Nations.

Pasha said in an interview with the United Press that his legion, although outnumbered four to



DEWEY STONE
Compromise Candidate?

See National Drive; Wynnefield For Dewey

NEW YORK—That the campaign to put Dewey Stone in as president of the ZOA is not an isolated attempt by the New England Zionists, was seen in the news that the Wynnefield Zionist District (ZOA) of Philadelphia had endorsed the Boston Zionist leader for president.

The Wynnefield endorsement came Monday, the day following the action of the New England ZOA in Boston, which was a specially-called meeting, so that the Wynnefield Zionists were acting in concert with the backers of Stone.

UN Could Take In Israel This Week

LAKE SUCCESS — Admission of Israel to the General Assembly of the United Nations could be acted upon before the end of the week.

Earlier the 14-nation United Nations General Committee recommended Israel's application for admission to the General Assembly.

one by Jewish forces, had never been defeated in battle and was ready to fight again to block future Israeli expansion in Palestine.

He charged that most of Israel's weapons were brought into Palestine in violation of the United Nations truce, while the legion "received not a single bullet" after the truce was proclaimed.

ISRAELI CHIEF CHAPLAIN RESIGNS IN FUSS OVER USING LIGHT ON SABBATH

TEL AVIV—A published statement by the chief chaplain to the Israeli armed forces that Talmudic laws permit the switching on of an electric light on the Sabbath evoked a controversy that ended in the chaplain's resignation this week.

Lt. Col. Shlomo Goronchik wrote an article for the Rabbinical publication "Sinai," which is edited by Rabbi Fishman, Minister of Religion, expressing that view.

Differences promptly arose between him and the Chief Rabbinate and Rabbi Goronchik finally submitted his resignation.

Projection of Dewey Stone's name into the presidential picture opened up the possibility that the nominating convention of the Committee for Progressive Zionism in New York Sunday might endorse Mr. Stone and present him to the nation as the compromise candidate acceptable to both sides in the split ZOA.

Backers Won't Speculate

Stone's backers refuse to speculate on this possibility, and stated that he is not a member of the Committee for Progressive Zionism although he is friendly to many of their leaders and has worked closely with them in fund-raising drives and other efforts for Israel.

Pushing the candidacy of Stone is Fred Monosson, Boston Zionist leader, who is actively associated with the Committee for Progressive Zionism. Mr. Stone was due to return to the United States Wednesday (April 13) with Dr. Chaim Weizmann, whom he is escorting to the Weizmann \$250 a plate dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria April 23.

The Bronx endorsement brought the second largest region under Frisch's banner. The executive voted unanimously to support him.

Like Frisch, Stone is a national vice president of the ZOA. He is national chairman of the board of directors of the Chaim Weizmann Institute; a trustee of Boston University; New England chairman of the United Jewish Appeal. He is one of the leading men in the textile industry, affiliated with the Harodite Finishing Company of North Dighton, Mass. Resent Detroit Action For Frisch. Meanwhile in Detroit, the Jewish News reported considerable "resentment that a handful of members of the regional executive should have presumed to speak for 6,000 Michigan Zionists, including the 3,500 in Detroit."

The newspaper pointed out that there is a long-standing tradition in Detroit Zionist ranks to send delegates to conventions "uninstructed and without commitment to candidates."

Mr. Frisch will address the annual conference of the Michigan Zionist Region in Grand Rapids on April 24.

Frank Reports From Israel

DESPITE CARES OF OFFICE WEIZMANN STILL THE SCIENTIST,

By M. Z. FRANK

TEL AVIV—The Big Show in Jerusalem lasted from Monday to Thursday, Feb. 14 to 17. On Thursday noon Weizmann was sworn in as president. By Thursday afternoon life in the Holy City began to settle down to humdrum. I spent some time visiting friends and institutions, and on Sunday afternoon went back to Tel Aviv.

On Sunday evening I sat in the lobby of the Gat-Rimmon hotel talking to Polly Van Leer, who had just arrived from Europe. Meyer Weisgal came in. I called him over and introduced him. Meyer was visibly impressed a. by the name Van Leer with which he had been familiar; b. by Mrs. Van Leer.

"Does she deserve a trip to Rehovoth?" I asked Meyer.

"Absolutely," said Meyer.

It was agreed that the three of us drive out together on Tuesday morning.

"What about that interview with Weizmann?" I asked.

"I don't know," said Meyer, "but you can phone Hannah Warshawer and see what arrangements you can make."

I didn't mind at all. Hannah, who is the wife of one of the best known players at the Habimah, is one of the most beautiful women in Israel. I telephoned the next morning.

"Yes, I know you're coming," she said. "You're coming with Meyer and Mrs. Van Leer."

"What about an interview?"

"Impossible, Mr. Frank, not tomorrow. He's been so busy receiving delegations of the various parties, I don't see how he can stand the strain. But when you come tomorrow, we'll make some arrangements for Thursday or Friday."

WE DROVE OUT IN THE LATE forenoon of Tuesday. The driver of the car was a disappointment; he could hardly speak Hebrew and was not interested in pointing out to me the places of recent battles, as other drivers in Israel are wont to do.

My attempts to interest Mrs. Van Leer in the scenery were discouraged by Meyer, who was busy talking about the Weizmann Institute. "You'll tell her all about it on your way back," he said.

The Institute lies outside the village of Rehovoth, as you come in from the north side. It is a little commonwealth by itself, a commonwealth whose denizens I had come to love from my previous visits. My special friends there are Chaselsberg and Bregmann, Weizmann's two chief scientific assistants, and of course, Hannah Warshawer.

After election day I came to have a talk with Ernest Bergmann on the scientific and economic principles of the Weizmann Institute. When I was through with that, I went calling on a young scientist from Philadelphia, and his wife, I was anxious to meet, by the name of Bernstein. His father-in-law, Louis Levinthal, had told me about him in Pittsburgh.

It was a delightful meeting and an inspiring instance of devotion to the same cause from unexpected quarters. Unexpected, because young Bernstein had been brought up as an anti-Zionist and his rabbi was Fineshriber.

Unfortunately the driver assigned to take me back to Tel Aviv kept the Sabbath, so he kept tooting the horn outside for me to cut the visit short. That driver, too, was an inspiration. He spoke an excellent Hebrew, showed me the places of interest, told me the military history of the region (in which he played quite a part himself) and ended up by saying that without Divine Intervention, the victories of the Jews could not be explained.

AND NOW I WAS HERE AGAIN, with Polly Van Leer and Meyer Weisgal, who in the meantime, followed me to Israel.

Polly admired the beautiful buildings and its inner appointments, but suddenly she found fault with a superfluous and over-



Rabbi Essrig Blasts National Jewish Organizations, Says They Have Feet Of Clay, Hits Arrogance, Obstinacy

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. — Rabbi Harry Essrig, of Reform Congregation Emanuel here, who is gaining a reputation for straight-speaking, this week took a bold swipe at the national Jewish organizations, declaring that: "Ours is the opportunity to break down some of the arrogance and obstinacy with which some of our national organizations wield power and tell the local communities what to do."

Declaring that: "The organizations we have built up with our strength and labor can no longer depend on hysteria alone to justify their future existence," Rabbi Essrig asked that "we . . . be consulted on important decisions that are taken."

Specifically Rabbi Essrig wanted to know, "... why the Zionist Organization created such

a furore in the recent UJA negotiations, why the B'nai B'rith now takes all of the credit for the victory won by the Israelis, why very little concrete good seems to issue from all the money spent in goodwill efforts."

Rabbi Essrig even said: "We should be curious as to why local organizations must entice their membership with card games after the meetings, or why they fail to rethink their functions in the changed climate of American Jewish opinion."

The blast closed with a call to American Jewry "not to be led by the nose." "We must see that many of our national organizations are idols with clay feet, that they are human inventions, and as such must be adapted to meet the new and changing conditions of life," the Rabbi closed.

ornate lattice work on a door. Meyer promised to take it off. We were suddenly called in to Weizmann, sandwiched in between two party delegations who came to discuss the formation of the future cabinet.

As we walked up the stairway, we saw Behor Shitrit, the representative of the Sephardim, and Minister of Police, escorted down by Weizmann's military aide-de-camp. The Mapai delegation was to come 15 minutes later.

Weizmann received us at the door of his study. You could hardly tell by his manner that anything had happened in Jewish history in the past week of which he was the center.

Only five days earlier, in Jerusalem, I saw streamers flying, crowds lined up in the streets, cheering, soldiers presenting arms, officers saluting, the shofar blowing and the most radical members of the Assembly bawling like children with excitement, when Weizmann came in to take the oath of office.

Now it was a man of the world, of unusual charm, engaging in polite small talk and serving us tea. And kibbutzing with Meyer.

"Hello, Chief," Meyer greeted Weizmann as he walked in.

"Hello, Boss," Weizmann smiled.

"Well, how is the matzav-rush (Mood)?" asked Meyer, partly in English, partly in Hebrew.

"Bessayder" (in order, O. K.), smiled the Chief.

"And how is the breot (health)?"

"Bessayder," Weizmann kept on smiling.

"How long are you going to stay in the country?" Weizmann asked Mrs. Van Leer.

"I came her to settle," she answered. She said she intended to buy an old Arab house in Jerusalem and redecorate it inside. Polly is in love with Jerusalem.

But Weizmann is in love with Rehovoth. He told us what the place had been like 13 years earlier and then took us out to the balcony and showed us the panorama today. Jerusalem is the city of the past. Weizmann is interested in the future and he is building it in Rehovoth, at his Institute.

Polly started asking questions about politics. When Weizmann replied, I piped out: "You don't want that to be published do you?"

"Why?" he was taken aback, "are you a journalist?"

We had lunch with the staff in the Club. Meyer was gone to Tel Aviv. At our table sat Hannah Warshawer, who told us of the exciting morning on the previous Thursday.

"At seven o'clock in the morning the delegation arrived from Jerusalem," she said. "They all looked tired and unshaven. None of them slept that night. We all waited at Weizmann's home. Bergmann ran up excited to Weizmann's room and knocked at the door. 'Dr. Weizmann,' he said, 'the delegation just came from Jerusalem to inform you of your election as President.'"

"Weizmann greeted them. Then Joseph Sprintzak, speaker of chairs. The delegation stood around in a semi-circle. I was to take notes but I couldn't. I was trembling all over. Everybody was shivering with excitement. But I remember every word."

Weizmann greeted them. Then Joseph Sprintzak, speaker of the house, addressed him in a solemn tone and said:

"Chaim, son of Ozer Weizmann! We have come to you from Jerusalem, as emissaries of the nation, to inform you that you have been elected as the First President of the State of Israel."

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5,000 Leave Turkey for Israel

ISTANBUL (JTA)—A record number of 5,700 Jewish emigrants left Turkey for Israel during March, it was revealed here this week.

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Judaism-Zionism Gap Must Be Shut—Gordis

ATLANTIC CITY (JTA)—Unless the gap between Judaism and Zionism is closed, American Jewry is headed "down the road to assimilation and extinction," Dr. Robert Gordis, president of the Synagogue Council of America, declared here this week in a keynote sermon before 750 delegates at the opening session of the 22nd annual national convention of the Young People's League of the United Synagogue of America.

"Zionism has scored an everlasting triumph in establishing the state of Israel and in preserving the Jewish people," Rabbi Gordis said. "But nationalism is only one aspect of the totality of Jewish life. Zionism without the Jewish religion is a body without a soul. We must face the fact that those Zionists who are not also Jews will soon be lost to the Jewish people."

Israel Issues Its First Patents

TEL AVIV—The State of Israel has recently granted the first patents, according to an announcement in the Official Gazette. Of 29 applications, 16 came from foreign countries: England (typewriters, soap, umbrellas, bicycle wheels), France (cranes and pulleys, road building), America (fruit packing) and Switzerland (artificial leather and chemicals). Local patents include improvements in building methods, fountain pens, fruit packing, perambulators and artificial teeth.

FDR, Jr., Heads Housing for Kids

NEW YORK — Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., this week accepted the chairmanship of a committee to build a children's village on the outskirts of Jerusalem.

The project is sponsored by the Save-A-Child Foundation and is designed to provide homes for about 1,000 war orphans and child DPs now in Europe. Roosevelt said a nation-wide drive to finance the \$1,000,000 will be started immediately.

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Rabbi H. J. Schachtel Quits Council; Hits Anti-Zionist Foes of UJA Again

National Jewish Post

HOUSTON, Tex.—Rabbi Hyman J. Schachtel, who rocked the anti-Zionist American Council of Judaism a year ago with a blunt repudiation of its stand of neutrality on contributing to the United Jewish Appeal, disclosed this week, in a repeat performance, that he had resigned from the Council last Nov. 29.

The spiritual leader of Temple Beth Israel here, then a prominent anti-Zionist and member of the board of the Council, bitterly denounced the Council and subsequently took an active part in the 1948 campaign but without dropping his membership in the anti-Zionist group.

Rabbi Schachtel took up cudgels against all American Jews who "for what seem to them to be cogent reasons, either do not wish to contribute at all to the United Jewish Appeal, or would limit their contributions to a mere token gift."

Answers Council Charges

His criticism of such Jews was not directed this year, as it was last, at the Council, for two reasons. The Council, since establishment of the Jewish State, has taken the position that it is not opposed to Israel. Second, the Council has taken no formal stand on the UJA drive this year.

But Rabbi Schachtel made it clear that he regarded the Council as a center of opposition to UJA contributions by dealing directly with some Council charges against Zionism, in connection with his criticism of non-givers.

One of the charges, basic to Council ideology, is the fear that Zionism has focussed attention on American Jews as Jews and thus allegedly has created the threat of more anti-Semitism. Another, which Council speakers have developed since establishment of Israel, is that Zionists now are seeking to "Zionize" American Jews.

Recants Own Stand

Rabbi Schachtel took up the first issue by a frank admission that he was one of those U. S. Jews who "believed that a State established by the Jews in Palestine would add to anti-Semitism in this country, would open up opportunities for those who hated Jews to weaken the position of the Jewish community in the United States."

Since then some 10 months have passed, the Houston rabbi noted, and asked "what are the facts since the establishment of the State of Israel?"

"The facts are that the very opposite has happened," he asserted. "The name Jew is now associated with courage, stamina, heroism, fighting power—the anti-Semites have been confounded."

The Histadrut's educational network comprises 190 kindergartens, 133 elementary schools, 18 secondary and vocational schools, and two teachers' training colleges.

Shlomo Ginsberg, former administrator of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, and son of Achad Haam, exponent of cultural Zionism, has been named Israeli representative to Italy.



RABBI H. J. SCHACHTEL
He Does It Again

Rabbi Schachtel commented with bitterness on the fact that the bravery of American Jewish soldiers in World War II had utterly failed to stop anti-Semitic slanders about Jewish cowardice.

Contrast Noted

In contrast, Rabbi Schachtel reported an experience recently, "an experience that has been multiplied many times. I have heard similar expressions from Christian ministers and leaders all over the country."

"Sitting next to a gentleman who was not of our faith and who did not know who I was, I said to him, as we drove out to the airport limousine, 'Tell me, what do you think of the Israeli over there in Palestine?' 'And this is what he replied: 'I never knew that Jews could fight like that. You have to take off your hat to people with such courage who can fight like furries.'"

The rabbi commented that "I, for one, am convinced that the anti-Semite is being defeated by the courage of the Israeli. Whatever stigma the anti-Semite has tried to put upon the Jew, the stigma of avoiding battle has now been erased. It has been washed away by the blood of the Jewish heroes on the borders of Israel and in the siege of Jerusalem."

Then Rabbi Schachtel turned to the other Council charge, "the one that the state of Is-

rael will try to Zionize Jews wherever they live, here in the United States and everywhere?"

Again asking "what are the official facts thus far?" the Houston rabbi said:

Israel Speaks For Self

"Officially, the State of Israel has spoken for no one but itself. It has sought recognition from the governments of the world and it has gained that recognition. It has sought loans from the governments and has succeeded in obtaining a small loan from the United States of America."

He continued, "As to Zionizing you or me, let me ask you to reflect and consider what has been done these past ten months, here in the City of Houston, or any other city, to Zionize anybody."

"Has any statement been made by any accredited spokesman of the Zionists which could be regarded as treasonable toward our proud status as American citizens?" he asked. "Has any responsible Zionist spokesman ever, in these 10 months, said or done anything which you or I or our Government has regarded as offensive to our country? Have responsible American leaders repudiated the United Jewish Appeal as an un-American activity?"

Said the rabbi, in brief comment, "of course not."

He said there might be some zealots among the Zionists who "have said things with which we are in utter discord. Moreover, efforts will be made and are being made by ardent Zionists to make Palestine the center of Jewish culture and Jewish spiritual guidance."

Dismissing Council tactics to battle such a possibility, Rabbi Schachtel said the only answer to such efforts "is the awakening of a strong American Jewish religious life; the vigorous support of our own great seminaries and temples and synagogues and centers."

"Only a fading American Jewish community, a dying American Jewish community will submit itself to the sovereignty of spiritual guidance from elsewhere," he said. "We are the master of our spiritual fate."

Israel is being planned as a highly industrialized country which will have 80 per cent of its population in cities and 20 per cent in farming and rural life.

Railways, never popular in Palestine where buses provided passenger transport, are now being developed as an important means of communication.

Deserves Support, Says Cincinnati

OHIO COUNCIL OFFICIAL BACKS 1949 UJA, TAKES POST IN DRIVE

National Jewish Post

CINCINNATI—Rejecting charges that members of the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism used the organization as a "shield behind which to hide from giving to charity," the president of the Cincinnati chapter of the group lauded the 1949 United Jewish Appeal drive and announced he had accepted a top post in the Cincinnati drive.

Dr. Leon Saks said that "if our bond is that of religion, it follows that we must be first to plead the cause of the homeless, suffering, mistreated and orphaned."

"I have accepted a membership on the executive campaign committee of the UJA Welfare Campaign with the full knowledge and unanimous consent of the American Council Cincinnati chapter's executive board," he said.

Asserting that "nothing can be more religious" than the UJA appeal, Saks said that "only Judaism can preserve that precious spirit or carry on the great Jewish tradition of righteousness and charity."

The emphasis on religion stemmed from the Council's definition of Jews as members only of a religious grouping.

Hits Zionists

"Shocking are some of the statements made by some of those with whom we happen to differ on which path the Jews shall proceed," Dr. Saks said, in an oblique reference to charges by Zionists against the Council for its long-time fight against Jewish aspirations in Palestine.

Saks strongly urged full support of the 1949 drive in the first statement this year by a Council official on the current UJA campaign.

He said that the local chapter was "a part of the Cincinnati Jewish community and part of the general Cincinnati community—integration without assimilation, Judaism our only faith, America our only country."

No Doubt It Broke Ernie Bevin's Heart

LONDON (JTA)—Dr. Mordecai Ellash, Israel's first Minister to the United Kingdom, paid his first official call this week at the British Foreign Office.

Dr. Ellash presented his credentials to Foreign Undersecretary Christopher Mayhew, who expressed regret that Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin was absent.

Dr. Ellash declared that his country was looking forward to friendly relations with Britain and that he hoped a spirit of cooperation would dominate the discussions of the many practical problems in the field of trade, commerce, finance and communications.

Hungarian Zionists Dissolve Voluntarily

BUDAPEST—(JTA)—The dissolution of the Hungarian Zionist Federation and all its branches was announced this week. The report of this action in the publication, Uj Elet, organ of the Jewish Community, described it as a voluntary decision by the executive committee of the Federation, adopted unanimously.

"Since the state of Israel has been established," the committee's resolution stated, "the supreme aim of the Federation has been fulfilled and normal diplomatic relations exist between Hungary and Israel."

25 MILLIONS MONTHLY

TEL AVIV (JTA)—The Jewish Agency is now spending 25,000,000 monthly to bring immigrants into Israel and settle them here, Dr. Israel Goldstein, treasurer of the Agency, said this week in Haifa. The average cost of maintaining each immigrant is now \$1,000, he said.

BB HONORS TRUMAN

WASHINGTON (JTA)—President Truman was presented with "America's Democratic Legacy Medallion" by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith at the White House this week. The President said he was happy to accept the award.

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The Post will present here weekly a summary of nationally-broadcast radio programs of interest to Jewish listeners. No responsibility is assumed by The Post for last minute changes by radio networks.

SUNDAY, APRIL 17—"One Lit-

tle Nannygoat," a musical documentary history by Morton Wishengrad, to mark the Passover season, on the "Eternal Light" program, 12:30 p. m. EST, NBC.

SUNDAY, April 17—Rabbi Ferdinand Isserman of Temple Israel, St. Louis, speaking on

"Passover and Easter," the third in a series of four talks on the "Message of Israel" program, 10 a. m. EST, ABC.

SUNDAY, April 17—"This Year, Israel," the second major network broadcast in the 1949 United Jewish Appeal, starring Paul Muni, 4:30 p. m. EST, now poorly attended. In an elec-

Fascist Meets Flop, British Deputies Hear

LONDON—A report submitted to the Board of Deputies of British Jews by its defense committee revealed that Fascist-sponsored meetings in Britain are now poorly attended. In an elec-

tion last week to the Kensington County Council, it was noted, two Fascist candidates drew a total of 600 votes as compared with the 21,000 cast for winning Conservative candidates.

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1. Quickly effect the emptying of the Jewish D.P. Camps in Germany and Austria. 2. Transfer to and resettle in Israel a total of 250,000 Jewish refugees from various parts of Europe. 3. Provide rehabilitation and relief for 1,500,000 Jews remaining in Europe and North Africa. 4. Help in the adjustment of refugees reaching the United States.

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Henry Morgenthau, Jr., General Chairman

Jewish Leader Starts One-Man Drive In England To Aid Arab DPs; Aid Pours In

LONDON—A one-man campaign by Victor Gollancz, Jewish publicist, brought 600 contributions for the aid of Palestinian Arab refugees this week.

As a result of some letters Gollancz wrote to British newspapers, appealing for aid on a non-sectarian basis for the Arab DPs, 1,600 letters were delivered in one day to the headquarters of the Jewish Society for Human Service.

Packages of cast-off clothing were arriving daily at the headquarters in the Gollancz office.

The Jewish Society was established last year by Gollancz, with the help of Norman Bentwich, noted Jewish writer, as a Jewish counterpart of the Quaker society.

The society's executive committee includes Zionists, non-Zionists and anti-Zionists as well as Jews of all shades of religious opinion, including one who calls himself a Nazarene. He described himself as a follower of the teachings of Christ worked out before Christianity developed as a new religion.

Gollancz said that the society was not founded for Arab relief but the first major relief

problem that developed after its founding was that of the Arabs made homeless by the invasion of Palestine.

Gollancz said that \$16,000 was collected in a private campaign but that he became outraged by what he regarded as the callousness of public opinion and wrote some stinging letters to the press.

"People excuse themselves from helping by arguments about responsibility; by attacking Zionist nationalism, Arab irresponsibility, British intransigence and American opportunism," he said. "But the real responsibility lies with the wickedness in our hearts and the history in which we are all, as human being, involved."

He said the society has helped to pay for an ambulance in Syria, an ambulance team for Arabs in the Negev and given funds for a home for Arab and Jewish children in Jerusalem.

He said that from now on most of the money will go to the destitute Arabs still in Palestine homes.

Gollancz is coming to the U. S. on a business trip. He will arrive in New York on April 26.

Sen. McCarthy Fights Action

FRENCH MOROCCO HEADS HALT SHIPMENT OF MATZOHS TO JEWS

Jewish Telegraphic Agency
WASHINGTON—Five hundred pounds of matzo are causing diplomatic trouble between the United States and French Morocco, it was revealed here this week.

The matzo were sent from the United States to Moroccan Jews for Passover and are being held up by allegedly anti-Semitic port officials who supported the Vichy government according to word received here by Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, from an American Legion post in Casablanca.

Sen. McCarthy reported that the Legion quoted that port control officer as saying "the matzo shall not be released until your celebration is over."

McCarthy said that the matzo, according to his information, were sent to Morocco gratis to be distributed to needy Jews. He quoted the local port authority as saying, "No, it must be piled up until it spoils or at least until after the Jewish holiday is over."

A State Department spokesman noted that the United States has had a number of reports of trouble with port authorities in Morocco but that withholding of the Passover matzo is the first specific case brought to its attention.

Earlier, the Senate rejected, 45 to 33, an amendment to E.C.A. legislation proposed by Sen. McCarthy to curb discrimination in French Morocco against Jewish and Moslem religious groups and American businessmen. McCarthy said that former Vichy French officials were discriminating in handling distribution of E.C.A. shipments.

DPs Want Israel, Reject Norway Offer

OSLO — (WNS) — Although a royal decree bestowing citizenship on 3,000 uprooted Jews who had entered this country the past eighteen months from various DP camps was issued here this week, only 120 Jews were reported to have accepted Norwegian citizenship. The rest deciding to migrate to Israel.

Blas Up Since Peru Dictatorship
LIMA (JTA)—Evidences of a revival of anti-Semitism in Peru since the establishment of the military dictatorship of Gen. Manuel Odria are causing much concern to this country's Jewish community of 3,000 souls.

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Tent Camps Built In Israel For DPs

JERUSALEM — (JTA)—The Jewish Agency's immigration department announced this week that it is beginning immediately the establishment of tent camps in and around Israeli towns and villages to accommodate some 40,000 newly-arrived Jewish immigrants.

Each tent costs approximately \$500 and houses one average size family. The housing measure is temporary, the Agency explained, adding that the "tent camps" will be continued until the program of the new national housing corporation — Amidar — gets underway.

ZOA Asks Delay In Actions Body Meet

NEW YORK — (JTA) — The Zionist Organization of America has requested that the forthcoming meeting of the Zionist Actions Committee scheduled to take place in Israel early in May be postponed to the summer, it was revealed in a statement issued here this week by Emanuel Neumann, president of the ZOA. The statement reads:

"The Zionist Organization of America has requested the postponement of the meeting of the Actions Committee to the summer on two grounds: 1. The time proposed, which is early in May, is in the midst of the fund-raising campaign and all other Zionist activities; 2. That the ZOA representatives would be unable to go in May because it is shortly before the annual convention which will take place at the end of May. The ZOA has urged that it is preferable for these and other reasons to hold the meeting during the slack season of the summer."

JWV HONORS BRADLEY

NEW YORK (JTA)—The Jewish War Veterans this week presented its highest award—the Meritorious Service Medal — to Gen. Omar N. Bradley, army chief of staff, at a \$100-plate Waldorf-Astoria dinner marking the 54th anniversary of the founding of the organization.

I Think As I Please

ALL-DAY SCHOOL IS ONLY ANSWER SAYS PARENT WHOSE CHILD ATTENDS

By CARL ALPERT

THE other day I picked up a batch of editorial clippings and reread the pros and cons of the controversy on Jewish day schools which from time to time agitates this American Jewish community. My collection of polemics dates over a period of several years, and I was familiar with all the arguments. Yet this time, as the father of a child who has for more than half a year been attending a Jewish day school, my interest was no longer academic.

I had been—and remain—open-minded on the subject. I can understand the points of view of both those who favor and those who oppose this institution. And I am beginning to realize that the point of view depends on the primary motivation. It all depends on what folks consider Jewish education and how much they expect from Jewish life.



THE GREAT FEAR of the opponents of parochialism in Jewish education is that it will lead to segregation and ghettoization. In the midst of large Jewish population centers like Brooklyn, or the Bronx, there can be little grounds for such fears, for Jews are already effectively physically segregated from non-Jewish Americans, not only during school hours, but on a 24-hour basis. What of the smaller communities, where American children of diverse faiths and national origins and color mingle in the playgrounds and in the classroom?

I have observed that it is the tendency of the Jewish child in any event to gravitate toward fellow Jews, and to limit social contacts with non-Jews. Where such is not the case, how often have parents been heard to complain that they wished their sons, or daughters, would play with Jewish companions?

Attendance at a Jewish day school need not inhibit friendship with non-Jews, however, as some fear. When our six-year-old Yummy gets home from the Yavneh Yeshiva in Elizabeth, she plays with the neighbors in normal fashion. Little Wendy, from up the other end of the block, spends so much time on our living room floor, listening to our collection of Jewish records for children, that she probably surprises her Scandinavian parents with her knowledge of Jewish holiday songs.

Surely this is in the American tradition, of which we hear so much.

I MUST CONFESS, HOWEVER, that to me the most compelling factor in favor of the Jewish all-day school is the practical one of economy of time. If I want my child to have a Jewish education, she must attend a Jewish school. If this education is to be given after normal public schools hours, then it means an end to play time, to freedom, to happy days. Off to school in the morning—back in mid-afternoon for a hasty glass of milk—then off to Hebrew school—and home again for supper as it grows dark. It was this sort of a schedule which robbed us of our freedom and our recreation in order to give us Jewish education, which embittered so many of our second American generation against the system.

None of that for my children. Certainly no one has yet claimed that the accelerated program of Jewish and secular education jointly in the day school is on an inferior academic level. Maybe there are statistics to prove that the products of these schools are educationally further advanced than the graduates of public schools. But I'm not going to be chauvinistic about it. It is sufficient that the record be average. But when my youngsters come home at a decent hour they know that the rest of the day is their own. These are practical considerations which have nothing to do with motivation or religion, or intensity—but for me they are sufficient.

On the other hand, you will recall, the basic requirement was that I want my child to have a Jewish education, and I don't mean the superficial smattering which is picked up in Sunday school. The all-day school is the answer for those parents who want to give their children a genuine education. But for those who are satisfied with Sunday school it will never do. It is too rich a diet.

In short, the parochial school is not for everybody, and the fearful and timorous parents who talk about ghettoization should be reassured that there is no intention of compelling them or their children to be any more Jewish than they wish. For the others, however, and I would like to think of them as of the Jewishly intellectually elite, the day school appears to be the pedagogically, psychologically sound and practical solution.

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Names In The News

JEWISH INTELLECTUAL RETURNING TO JUDAISM SAYS ELLIOT E. COHEN

Remarking on the "striking intellectual vitality of the younger generation of Jewish intellectuals," soft-spoken and fast-balding Elliot E. Cohen, editor of Commentary, told an audience at Yale University's celebration of the 25th anniversary of Hillel, he knew of "at least four circles of Jewish writers and intellectuals which meet regularly for the study of theological works."

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How To Pack Them In

A new inducement to youngsters to attend services is being held out in Rabbi David Jacobson's Temple Beth-El in San Antonio, Tex., . . . The Beth-El Bulletin announces junior services at 8 p.m. Friday to be followed by "carefully selected educational and other movies that are brought from out-of-town."

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New Honor For Rabbi Goldman

Busy at work on succeeding volumes of his stupendous scholarly undertaking on the Bible, Chicago's Rabbi Solomon Goldman accepted honorary membership on the general Executive Committee of the Jewish National Workers' Alliance.



ance (workers Zionist movement and learned that a Chicago branch bearing his name is presently being organized.

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Honors, Beauty Contest, Etc.

Selman A. Waksman, whose new drug, neomycin, it is hoped will exceed microbe-killing of streptomycin, was hailed as New Jersey's "Outstanding Citizen," last week . . . Unable to reach a decision between ten beauties vying for the crown of AZA Sweetheart in Newark, the judges came up with a new wrinkle—designated all ten "sweethearts" . . . Also in Newark, two girlhood friends since grammar-school days finished one, two in their graduating class at Orange High School, Shirley Levine, valedictorian and Adele Bensky, salutatorian . . . A weekly deficit totaling \$1,000-

000 was reported by Judge Morris Rothenberg, UPA acting national chairman, in his annual Passover message . . . Israel stands to receive \$75,000,000 if Joseph Salzedo, 63-year-old biscuit distributor can establish his claim to 600,000 acres in the Province of Quebec, bordering 153 miles on the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Salzedo wants only 80,000,000 lbs for the property if he can persuade the courts to honor his claim traced from a 1661 grant down to a Barbadoes dentist Salzedo claims transferred title to him for aiding to establish his rights to the land.

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With The Rabbis

With his father officiating, Irving F. Reichert Jr., was joined in wedlock Thursday (April 14) to Miss Joan Salkey. Young Reichert, Harvard Law School graduate, is legal secretary to District Court of Appeal Judge Raymond Peters. His father is rabbi emeritus of Temple Emanuel.

Born to Rabbi and Mrs. Abraham Leibtag, (Phillipsburg, Pa.) a son, their first . . . to Rabbi and Mrs. Philip Harris (Harrisburg, Pa.) a daughter.

Trips—Headed for Israel's Givat Chaim for four-months, "to gain a genuine insight into Israeli life in the collective" are Rabbi and Mrs. Sidney Brooks, of Springfield, O.'s South Fountain Avenue Temple.

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Bevin Helps Jews

Foreign Minister Bevin got unexpectedly back-handed praise from Morris Laub, JDC director on the Island of Cyprus this week. "The Bevin policy of keeping Israel-bound Jews on Cyprus for so many months was inadvertently one of the best things that could have happened to these homeless refugees," Director Laub declared pointing out that on Cyprus the DPs were able to learn Hebrew and took up tasks to fit them for life in the new land. He proudly displayed a gold medal "To Morris Laub, staunch friend of the Maapilim (Cyprus refugees). The last shipload of refugees, Laub aboard, embarked from Cyprus for Israel several months ago.

Only Four-Piano Octet — All Women - In Jewish Musical World Doing Fine

National Jewish Post

WEST ORANGE, N. J.—Eight comely young matrons have scored an artistic triumph with what is believed to be the only eight-handed piano octet in Jewish women's circles in the U.S., now in its second year.

They perform not only for the Council of Jewish Women, of which they are members, but for the public at large in impressive concerts.

The ladies use four pianos, two of them to an instrument. Ensembles of this kind are rare since practically no music has been written for four pianos. Entire compositions had to be re-written into four parts for the group, with new harmonies added and judicious cutting done here and there.

The idea started with Mrs. Irwin Brainen of West Orange, who had little trouble selling the idea to a group of enthusiastic pianists. The women struggled with children's illnesses, lack of pianos, getting to rehearsals in bitter weather and similar tribulations. But their common love for music kept them together.

A Newark music store allowed them use of

display pianos. Later they purchased the pianos, now the common property of the group, and took advantage of an offer from an old friend to use his cellar for rehearsals. There they alternately stifled or froze while preparing for their first concert in November, 1947.

The debut was a sellout. People came to laugh but they stayed to cheer and wonder at the ingenuity of women. Now the group has so many requests for appearances that they have to turn some of them down.

After the first concert, Mrs. Brainen turned over her cellar to the group. Her husband redecorated it as a studio and there the four pianos and the eight women practice for bigger and better things. The husbands of the musical pioneers are the proudest of all.

Besides Mrs. Brainen, the group includes Mrs. Harry Newman of South Orange; Mrs. Harry Lutke and Mrs. Gus Dubrow, both of Newark; Mrs. Milton Mantell of West Orange, Mrs. Clair Amsterdam and Mrs. Sidney Smith, of East Orange, and Mrs. Maurice Grill and Mrs. Irving Frank of Orange.

AGENCY SAYS 60 OF 300 YEMENITES ARRIVING ONE WEEK WERE BLIND

TEL AVIV—The Jewish Agency reported this week that of the 300 Yemenites who arrived in Israel from March 13 to 19, 60 were blind.

They were among the 1,253 of the 6,540 immigrants arriving that week who required special care and attention, the Jewish Agency reported. The special cases also included 301 invalids missing either both arms or both legs.

JDC, HIAS Reach Limited Agreement

ROME—(JTA)—Representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee and the HIAS in Italy have set up a coordinating committee to facilitate the applications of Jewish displaced persons in this country who desire to immigrate to the United States under the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, it was reported here.

Meanwhile, it was revealed by Louis Horowitz, J.D.C. director for Italy, that a recently-announced International Refugee Organization-Italian Government-J.D.C. agreement designed to speed the transfer of Jewish DPs from this country to Israel has not yet gone into effect. The only point actually agreed on to date, the J.D.C. official said, is that DPs reaching Italy from Germany and Austria who reside in I.R.O. camps will be aided by the J.D.C.

Truman Won't Attend Weizmann Dinner

WASHINGTON—(JTA)—A spokesman for the Israeli Embassy said this week that President Chaim Weizmann will definitely be in New York, as scheduled, on April 23. Arrangements are being completed here by the Israeli Government for the purchase of a four-engine plane which will be used to bring Dr. Weizmann to the U.S.

The President explained that the urgency of his work and his crowded schedule with Congress now in session compel him to cancel his plans to attend. He also blamed impending "international decisions" for his action.

Five trains daily run now between Haifa and Acre in both directions.



250 ZOA Classes Reported; Upsurge Seen

NEW YORK—(WNS)—Almost 250 regularly sustained classes and courses for adults sponsored by Zionist Districts in all parts of the country attest to a recent spurt in Zionist educational activity, according to a survey just made public at headquarters of the Zionist Organization of America here.

The survey, which sought information only on periodic courses, and not on single meetings or "one night stands," revealed that there has been a significant upsurge of interest in adult study groups since the creation of the State of Israel, and that Zionist activity is increasingly being channeled into the field of education.

JDC Reports Spent \$70,000,000 in 1948

NEW YORK—(JTA)—Europe's Jews "achieved their greatest progress towards recovery since V-E Day in 1948," the 1948 annual report of the Joint Distribution Committee, released here this week revealed. The JDC expended \$70,600,700 last year in its program of relief, resettlement and reconstruction in behalf of nearly 700,000 Jews in 20 overseas countries, the annual survey added. Since its establishment in 1944, the Committee has spent \$367,570,000 for overseas aid, the report said.

Reform Institute To Study Health

PHILADELPHIA—(NJP)—The Philadelphia Federation of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations will be host to a national institute on "Judaism and the Public Health" April 29. The institute will be sponsored by the Joint Commission on Social Actions of the Central Conference of American Rabbis (Reform) and the UAHC.

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Wise 75th Year Hailed By World

NEW YORK—(JTA)—Dr. Stephen S. Wise this week celebrated his 75th birthday. Congratulatory messages were received by him from numerous Jewish and non-Jewish dignitaries, as well as from Jewish communities in Europe, Latin America, Australia and other areas.

The American Jewish Congress, of which Dr. Wise is president, announced this week the establishment of four annual Stephen S. Wise awards of \$1,500 each "in recognition of outstanding service or for the encouragement of creative contribution" in the "development of Israel and Israeli-American relations, the defense of the rights and status of Jews in other lands, the enrichment of Jewish cultural and religious life and the guarantee of full civil rights in the U. S. for all persons."

Dr. Wise's birthday celebration was marked at a Golden Jubilee dinner last week at the Hotel Biltmore here tendered by the Free Synagogue, which he founded. Outstanding leaders paid tribute to the venerable Jewish leader for his lifetime of service to the Jewish people.

\$16,000,000 Arab Aid Approved by House

WASHINGTON—(JTA)—The House of Representatives this week passed a bill to give \$16,000,000 to aid Arab and Jewish refugees in Palestine and the surrounding area. The measure has already been approved by the Senate.

An attack on the measure was made by Rep. John Rankin of Mississippi who objected to "pouring United States dollars down the rat-holes of Europe, Asia and Israel." He was halted by House Majority Leader John McCormack who declared that he had "nothing but contempt for a person with a bad, low bigoted mind."

Soviet German Jews Will Have Matzoh

BERLIN (JTA)—More than eleven tons of matzoh have been baked for Jews in the Soviet sector of Berlin and in the Soviet zone of Germany, it was announced here this week.

The arrangements were originally made by the Berlin Jewish community for the Jews in the Soviet sector of the city. The Jews in the other sectors will receive their Passover supplies via the air lift. Sufficient flour and equipment was obtained for Berlin and the Jews in the rest of the zone, too.

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Women's Viewpoint

WHICH ONES WOULD YOU PICK AS 3 BASIC LAWS OF JUDAISM?

BY HELEN COHEN

IF YOU WERE ASKED to reduce Judaism to its barest minimum essentials, which three basic laws would you choose?

In "History of the Jews," by Dr. Solomon Grayzel, we find a decision reached 1,800 years ago in the second century by the religious leaders of the time. After the fall of the Temple, the Jews could no longer resist the Romans but many preferred martyrdom rather than obey Rome's laws.

To prevent the destruction of the entire population of Palestine, three fundamental rules were set forth which the sages regarded as so fundamental that death was to be considered preferable to their transgression.

They were: the worship of idols; adultery; and the shedding of innocent blood.

The religious leaders also discussed another question: Which, they wanted to know, was more important, study or observance? Their decision—study, "since knowledge of the Torah is bound to lead to obedience of its wise laws whereas observance without intelligent understanding of the background offers little hope for the future."

The decision of the sages has held up well with the years.

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TOO LATE to tell you before Pesach, we received a two-record album of 12 Passover songs, issued by the National Association of Hebrew day school P.T.A.s.

The songs, which are for home as well as school use, include among others, the Kiddush, the Mah Nishtanah (the four questions) Da-yey-nu, Eli-yah, Ha-na-vee; A-dir-Hu and Chad-Gad-yah, all familiar melodies. Stories and meanings of the songs are printed on the album, and the records are unbreakable.

The Cohens don't happen to own a phonograph but for our Pesach visit to Grandma's we plan to take the records along and see how the children like them. We'll report their reactions.

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NOTES ON three books of interest to children:

I tested "The Little Tractor Who Traveled to Israel" (by Evelyn L. Greenberg, Behrman House) for our four and their reaction was indeed positive. They wouldn't let me stop until the last word was read and I didn't blame them. The story is well told, cheerful and brisk, and in simple language which they could grasp.

Starting with "The Little Tractor" Behrman House plans a new series of picture books for children. According to the book jacket, "five leading educators will offer guidance in preparing modern, meaningful and exciting stories . . . these reasonably priced volumes ("The Little Tractor is \$1) will be distinguished for their literary and artistic excellence." They are off to a good start.

Author Evelyn Greenberg insists that the book grew out of her son's rainy day demands for "just one more story." She is the wife of Rabbi Meyer Greenberg, University of Maryland Hillel director, and is herself in the English department of the university.

The artist, Israel Levy, creates a set of striking and bold illustrations for the text.

"Children's Services for Sabbath and Holidays" is published by the Euclid Avenue Temple in Cleveland. This prayerbook is, to our knowledge, the first of its kind to be published.

Although only recently put into book form, these Services were developed over 20 years at the Euclid Avenue Temple. They are designed for holidays in both the American and Jewish calendars, and include services devoted to religious and democratic ideals.

Libbie L. Braverman, education director of the Temple, and Nathan Brilliant, director of the Cleveland Bureau of Jewish Education, developed and prepared the material which of course is based on the adult liturgy plus religious school themes.

"ABC Stories for Jewish Children," by Daisy P. Aronoff, Bloch Publishing Co., is an attractive educational book for youngsters which uses the well-known technique of selecting a word starting with each letter of the alphabet and elaborating on it—such as "B" is for Bible, "C" is for Chanukah, "M" is for Moses and so on.

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ISEE by our "Digest of the Yiddish Press" that a few complications are arising in Israel in regard to female soldiers. The item points out that "members of the 'Chen' (Women's Army) were ashamed to 'date' the desk jockeys. In fact, some marriages have been broken up between girl soldiers and non combatants. One of the latter proposed to a member of the Chen, but she turned him down."

Give me the good old days, when men were men and women were feminine and everyone was satisfied with that arrangement.

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THERE'S been a lot of loud and long complaints by Jewish housewives on the unreasonably high cost of kosher meat as compared with non-kosher meat.

But at least we don't have to take a chance on getting horse-meat in our hamburger. That's the chance a lot of Indianapolis housewives took before a ring of distributors was smashed which had been pouring 4,000 pounds of the stuff each week into local retail markets.

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Wellikoff Yoffee

● Mrs. A. Kaplan, 107 N. Rothwood, Evansville, Ind., writes:

I would greatly appreciate knowing the meaning of my family name, Wellikoff. My father and his father came from Voronez, Russia.

Wellikoff is rooted in the Russian "veliki" which means "Great." The termination—off (ov) signifies descent, so that Wellikoff means "a descendant of the Great One."

"The Great One" in this case does not necessarily indicate an ancestor who was excessively tall. The term is most likely a translation of the Hebrew name "Gedalyah" which contains the Hebrew "gadal" (great).

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● Mrs. Benjamin C. Yoffee, 625 Bloomfield St., Hoboken, N. J., writes:

Will you please give me the meaning of my name, Yoffee? My husband's parents came from Russia. Mine came from Galicia.

Yoffee is a Hebrew term meaning "beautiful." The family name was originally Kalonymos which is Greek for a "Good Name." Due to migration from Italy to Germany, the Kalonymos family sought to re-translate their Greek name into Hebrew. For some reason they reduced the name to the first half. Since Kalo means both "good" and "beautiful" they fixed on the name Yoffee which has the latter meaning.

The Yoffees are a widespread and most distinguished family rich in scholars and celebrities.

SEALED DPs

SAN FRANCISCO — (JTA) — The second group of 228 Shanghai Jewish DP's en route to Israel and Europe via the United States left for New York this week aboard a sealed train after arriving here from Shanghai on the S.S. General Meigs. With the exception of 36 of the refugees who will settle in Europe, the entire contingent will transship from New York on Thursday for Genoa, Italy, distribution center for Israel.

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A HAPPY Passover to all our hard-working readers (cooks). We round out this year's Passover suggestions with a group of cheese dishes good enough to eat all year around.

CHEESE PANCAKES

1/2 pound cottage cheese	1/2 cup matzo meal
4 eggs, well beaten	1/2 tsp. pepper
1 tsp. butter	2 tsp. sugar, if desired

Mix cheese with eggs stir other ingredients in slowly. Fry in a liberal amount of butter until light brown on both sides. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and cinnamon, if desired, and serve hot.

CHEESE PIE

1/2 cup butter	1/2 cup chopped walnuts
3/4 cup sugar	pinch of pepper
3 eggs, separated	1/4 tsp. cinnamon
1 lb. cottage cheese	1 cup sweet cream
juice of 1/2 lemon	4 matzos
1 tbsp. potato flour	

Cream butter and sugar, add egg yolks, cheese, lemon juice, potato flour, walnuts, pepper and cinnamon. Mix well. Add cream. Beat egg whites stiff, and fold into mixture. Soak matzos in salted water until soft. Drain matzos over a strainer, without squeezing. Line a buttered cake pan with a layer of soaked matzos, cutting some of them if necessary so that they fit bottom of pan and cover it completely. Spread the cheese mixture over the matzos and bake at 325 degrees for 45 minutes.

CHEESE PUDDING

2 large onions grated	5 matzos
2 tbsp. butter	1/2 lb. cottage cheese
1/2 tsp. salt	2 eggs, beaten

Fry the onions in the butter until brown. Crumble the matzos, soak in cold water 2 minutes, drain, and press out well. Mix browned onions, soaked matzos, cheese, eggs and salt. Place in greased pudding dish, and bake at 400 degrees for 30 minutes or until brown.

MAMOURAS

Allow 1 matzo for each person to be served. Soak it in boiling salted water 1 minute, remove, and brush with olive or vegetable oil. Press cottage cheese through a sieve, season it to taste with salt and pepper or with sugar and cinnamon. Spread the soaked matzo with a layer of the seasoned cottage cheese. Place over this another matzo, brush it with oil and spread with cheese. Repeat until all the matzos have been used. Slice and serve.

Recipe of the Week

Here is an unusual recipe for a chocolate fluff.

2 cups scalded milk	1/2 cup cold milk
5 tablespoons cornstarch	1 1/2 squares chocolate
1 teaspoon vanilla	1/2 cup sugar
speck salt	

Sift together cornstarch, sugar and salt. Make a paste with the cold milk. Melt chocolate in hot milk and combine with cornstarch mixture. Cook over low flame until thickened. Cool slightly. Add canilla and fold into stiffly beaten egg whites. Chill before serving.

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ZOA Offers \$1,000 For Jewish Plays

NEW YORK — (JTA) — A playwriting contest with \$1,000 in prizes to be awarded for the best one-act dramatic presentations dealing with the "problem of developing a full and meaningful Jewish life in the United States or elsewhere" was announced here by the education department of the Zionist Organization of America. First prize for the competition, which closes Oct. 4, 1949, will be \$500 while second and third prizes will be \$250 each. The contest is open both to professional and amateur playwrights and funds for the awards have been made available by the American Zionist Fund.

First Israel Flag Ship In West S.S. Haifa

NEW YORK — (JTA) — The first vessel to fly the flag of Israel in the waters of the western hemisphere will be officially named the S.S. Haifa at a dedication ceremony to be held this week at Potts Cove Pier, Queens, New York, it was announced here this week by the American Israeli Shipping Co. The vessel is a former Canadian victory ship of 10,800 tons.

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The Editor's Chair

AT THE United Jewish Appeal conference in Atlantic City in January, Boston's Fred Monosson walked me over to Dewey Stone, whom he said he was going to propose for the presidency of the Zionist Organization of America. Although Monosson said he'd push him regardless, Dewey said he wouldn't have any part of the office, and although I made a note to comment on Monosson's one-man campaign for Dewey, I never did get around to it.

Now Dewey's candidacy seems to be official. While I'm writing this (Sunday) the New England Zionist Region, the second largest in the U. S., is supposed to be endorsing him to succeed Dr. Emanuel Neumann as ZOA president. The play will then go to the nominating convention of the Committee for Progressive Zionism, which will nominate Dewey and the campaign will then be on the basis that Dewey is acceptable to both sides in the split ZOA.

If all these plans eventuate, then the line-up will be Frisch versus Stone at the convention next month. Will the Neumann group which has been hostile to Frisch's candidacy thus far, throw its strength to the Stone backers, or will it finally as the news story in last week's Post seemed to indicate, hop onto the Frisch bandwagon?

AN ARTICLE in the current number of the National Jewish Monthly on Los Angeles' University of Judaism, reminds me that I spent quite a bit of time there, going through the newly-established school (1947) with its director, Rabbi Jacob Pressman. The place already is bulging at the corridors (600 enrollment) although its present building was only opened last fall, and when I was there, Corinne Chochem, the famous Jewish danseuse, was leading a class in Jewish dances almost in the foyer. The other rooms were filled with classes too, two of them with Jewish matrons studying Hebrew. I don't know what it was, but I got a funny feeling in the Hebrew class, as if something strange was going on. Outside was bustling Hollywood and strident America, but here in this oasis were women studying Hebrew. I can't explain that feeling now.

The dancing, that was something else again. It was rich in Jewish lore and tradition, and when we barged in, Miss Chochem was teaching the Chassidic dances. She told why there was almost no leg movement and right away you got as concrete a picture of Chassidic habits as reading ten text books would give you.

Because the Chassidic followers motioned with their bodies while they were seated around the tables in their crowded Stiebels (prayer rooms) all the movement was in the upper body only. That the ecstatic motions were full of reaching for God and complete identification with Him, was obvious from Miss Chochem's authentic dancing.

In another room, many Los Angeles rabbis were studying, going back to school as it were,

and if you ask me, this kind of mental stimulation is one of the most valuable contributions the school could make. Except for the larger Jewish centers, most rabbis have very little stimulation, opportunity or even time for study, so that any systematic course of study under Jewish scholars, is a real contribution.

I GUESS I ought to be done with my jaunt west by this time so with only another reference or two I'll conclude. The first is Rabbi Nussbaum's idea of some sort of communal system in the U. S. on the order of that in the Berlin Kehillah. There the kehillah (community) employed all the rabbis; the congregations each had their own board which looked after the affairs of the congregation, but the rabbis were assigned to the congregations for preaching, and in rotation. In this way, Rabbi Nussbaum went the rounds of all the liberal congregations, appearing at each one in turn.

The other values from this system were important. The rabbi was released from those duties which fall under the heading of organizational work, and was thus enabled to study and to write, which are the reasons why he is a rabbi. These "organizational" duties were performed by the kehillah, which kept all the vital statistics for the community, arranged all the weddings and other religious ceremonies, took care of the physical property (temples, etc., which belonged to the community although run by individual boards) and generally provided for the operation in any well-run community.

The advantages of this kind of system are obvious. The same kehillah employed the rabbis also for the Orthodox too. Every Jew was a member of the kehillah. In Germany this was the law. Some adaptations to American environment of the benefits of the kehillah system, it seems to me, should be valuable. Our present system—which is nothing more or less than the laissez-faire system of economics applied to the spiritual realm—makes the rabbi almost anything but a spiritual leader.

IN SAN FRANCISCO I got such a warm reception from the rabbis that I hesitate to use names for fear of offending. The Rabbinical Association received me and called a luncheon for me, and I had quite a few chats with Rabbi Alvin Fine (we were at the same hotel), whom I'm sure you'll be glad to hear has made a real impact on the community. Even the older rabbis have received Rabbi Fine with open arms.

I want to take a rain check on Cantor Rinder in San Francisco, and Louis Freehof (brother of Rabbi Solomon Freehof) who is executive secretary of Rabbi Fine's congregation.

WHILE in Los Angeles, I ran into the story, which I printed here, of Gary Grant and his complaint that the UJA was overlooking him. He gave the drive \$10,000 after disclosing that he was Jewish. Louis Bielek read that "Chair" too. Now I have before me a report from the World News Service which gives credit to "Mr. Louis Bielek, the well-informed columnist of the Yiddish 'Americaner.'" So if you read about it in your local A-J paper this week, you'll know that it was "lifted" from the NJPost without so much as any kind of credit at all. Mr. Bielek, however, once took me to dinner at New York's Royal Cafe on the East Side, so now I guess he feels that we're even.

Should End Taking Jewish Quarrels To Public Press

EVEN warfare has its rules; and it would seem to The Post that it is about time that Jewish organizations adopt a set of rules along the lines of the Geneva convention, which was supposed to govern warfare between nations.

The rule The Post feels is so essential at this time would apply to Jewish organization involved in a dispute with other Jewish organizations. Neither side should resort to non-Jewish speakers and the general press.

The American Jewish Congress is currently on the carpet before the National Community Relations Advisory Council on charges preferred by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and The American Jewish Committee.

The Post carried the story of these charges and the hearing, and the altercation was kept within the Jewish community.

The fight in and on Zionism however, finds its lurid details escaping into the general press.

The American Council for Judaism's forthcoming convention program will be graced by non-Jewish speakers, and their attacks and fears voiced at the convention will be reported in the daily press through the press department of the Council. That is if past performance is repeated.

The Council up to this point could always

legitimately point out that it had no way of reaching the Jewish public except through the daily press, not alone because the Anglo-Jewish press was shut off to it by a senseless censorship, but because most Jewish people did not read the Anglo-Jewish press.

The latter point is still true, unfortunately, but the first is not and need not operate any longer. The Council's activities, despite the viewpoint of the paper as expressed on the editorial page, should be given adequate coverage.

The Council, in return, should limit its press activities to the Anglo-Jewish press. It would be unfortunate if unfounded charges such as those made by Carroll Binder at last year's St. Louis convention of the Council found their way again into the public press.

There must be some way in which this arrangement could be effected.

Perhaps an agreement could be reached between the Council and the American Association of English Jewish Publishers. Maybe the NCRAC will take a hand in this type of agreement. In any event it would be an arrangement well worth trying. Only the Jewish group is involved in these internal conflicts, and most certainly the Council is just as concerned if not more so with the security of the Jewish group in the U. S. as any other group of Jews.

Rebuild Germany If Necessary, But Oust The Nazis!

THE decision by the organized Jewish civic defense groups, acting in concert in the National Community Relations Advisory Council, to protest the United States Military Government German Exhibition which opened Saturday in New York is a splendid example of what can be done by Jewish groups willing to act together.

Whether the action in this specific instance will achieve anything is not the only important result of this meeting of minds of the men who are entrusted with making decisions for the Jewish communities in this vital area of American Jewish life.

The decision was a courageous one. The policy-makers of the U. S. Government stood behind the German Exhibition, and their reasons are valid enough from the standpoint of the immediate present. Germany is costing the U. S. hundreds of millions of dollars; German recovery is essential to the success of the Marshall Plan, and in case of war with Russia, the support of Western Germany is vital.

Against this array of state reasons, there rests the side of democracy and justice.

Is Germany to be rebuilt, Nazi temperament and all?

With anti-Semitism rife in Germany, will not a rehabilitated Germany become another exporter of Anti-Semitism?

Is not this smiling on German industrialists, many of whom aided Hitler, enough to cause even the anti-Nazis in Germany to wonder which path to follow?

The position of the Jewish group was a difficult one to take. Germans have shown only little indication that they regret the slaughter of six million Jews, the suppression of all freedom and any kind.

The job of indoctrinating the Germans with democracy has either been a failure or is proceeding too slowly. Yet the job of rebuilding Germany proceeds apace.

There is the problem. The Jewish group had two decisions to make. The first was in connection with maintaining a silence in a difficult position. The second was to protest as a group speaking in the name of the Jewish community. More decisions of this kind by Jewish organizations will be received with great respect from the Jewish community, which will not be slow to understand that it is being served ably and well, if not in all directions, certainly in this particular one.

The JWV Need Apologize To No One

THE recent closed meeting at which the Jewish War Veterans of America called in Jewish leaders to discuss a new orientation of JWV work now that Israel has been established is another of those healthy signs of maturity in the American Jewish community.

The JWV legitimately wanted to find unfilled areas for work in the Jewish community in which it might operate fruitfully.

As discussants at this closed meeting, which included men like Governor Lehman (JDC), Frank Weil (JWB) and Lester Engel (AJCommittee), pointed out such fields as civic defense and work for Israel already were under control of groups identified with them for a period of years and for the JWV to attempt to enter into competition with these organizations would be wasteful and ineffective.

In the work with veterans, the JWV is the first Jewish organization. Although this is a limited field, it is not an unimportant one, and the JWV has a real job to perform there. In addition to this work, the JWV can be and has

been a very valuable arm when called upon by other national Jewish organizations to assist in various efforts of importance to the U. S. Jewish community.

It is true that in performing this service, the assistance of the JWV is usually ignored when the press releases are handed out; yet the work of the JWV has been such that no one would be likely at this point to accuse it of emphasizing its publicity department out of all proportion.

The JWV is a reliable, effective, hard-working Jewish agency. If the JWV cannot be the American Jewish Congress or the B'nai B'rith, does that detract in any way from the JWV?

Of course not.

The JWV has come a long way in the past ten years. This paper can remember when JWV Posts were discouraged by the then so-called local Jewish leadership. (Why should Jews organize as veterans; let them join the American Legion, etc.) The JWV need apologize to no Jewish organization today; its record is as good if not better than any.

The Indianapolis Star Is Outraged

THE INDIANAPOLIS STAR is outraged because Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of England was subjected to the humiliation of a tomato barrage in New York.

But the STAR doesn't like Bevin either. More than a year ago, the STAR's publisher, Eugene Pulliam, predicted revolution in England within a year unless the socialist policies of the Government were changed. Mr. Pulliam was in Palestine for a few days several years ago. His paper was always able to see the side of the Arabs very clearly and very favorably.

It is only that the STAR likes the people who threw the rotten tomatoes less than it

likes Bevin.

The STAR has a convenient memory. Others cannot forget Bevin's ill-considered charge that the Jews of New York were responsible for the failure of Mr. Bevin to reach an agreement on Palestine on Mr. Bevin's own terms.

So, if Mr. Bevin was subjected to any indignity, The Post will not shed any crocodile tears for him. This doesn't mean that The Post approves of the idea of the over-aged tomato barrage any more than does the STAR. It only means that The Post understands why some people were moved to show their feelings toward Mr. Bevin, and to understand is to forgive.

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CPZ Official Raps NJP, Insists Charges Against ZOA Fully Valid

Editor, National Jewish Post:

Your leading editorial in last week's issue of The Jewish Post indicates that the CPZ "has something" in Plank Four of its platform. You quote from this Plank, indicating that you are in agreement with the charge leveled against the Z.O.A. administration, that it has closed its heart and mind to new ideas, new leadership, and constructive suggestions. You agree that ways and means must be found to bring the vast unorganized pro-Zionist American Jewish community directly into Zionist life. You state, however, that the other points of the platform are but a re-hash of the charges of the opposition, and that the rank and file Z.O.A. member will not be aroused by these warmed-over issues.

It is most amazing that the editor of a newspaper, who prides himself on the fact that his is a paper, free from the influences of pressure groups, can make light of Plank Six, which calls attention to the fact that the Z.O.A. publications have been closed to any and all of the members of the Z.O.A. unless their views have been in complete harmony with those of the administration. Surely, it is not a matter of little moment when a Lipsky or a Wise cannot get an article into the New Palestine, without its being censored or mutilated. You, Mr. Editor, who

have time and again attacked a muzzled press, seem ready to accept a muzzled press, as a matter of small import.

If I recall correctly, the editor of the Jewish Post recently joined the ranks of the Labor Zionist group. Is it a matter of little moment that the unholy alliances of the present administration have made many liberals within the Z.O.A. feel ill at ease in their own movement? Is Plank Three, which asks that the American Zionist Movement stand together with progressive and enlightened parties, and foster liberal and advanced thinking, to be so easily dismissed? Is it merely the prick of a gad-fly, when we accuse the present administration of the Z.O.A. of having deserted the cause of labor in Israel, and of having supported reactionary groups, which could not have received a single Jewish vote, if they had flourished on American soil?

Is Plank Seven, which asks for free discussion at all districts and regions inconsequential? I have personally asked for an opportunity to debate the question of the charges in our own district. I was told that the opportunity would be given, but have since been informed that the arrangements could not be made. Is this the heritage of the honest and Zionist

foundation-shaking debates for more than two-score of the world Zionist Congresses?

One could continue point by point, showing how vital each is to the continued existence of the Z.O.A. in America. There is no necessity, however, for gilding the lily. Suffice it to say that if these charges are merely a re-hash, it proves but one thing, that the present administration has continued to be guilty of these charges, after many outcries and many protests. It simply proves that for too long a time has the free expression of the American Zionist been throttled. It merely proves that the time has come for us to turn the Z.O.A. over to a leadership much more in keeping with the principles of Zionism, of Israel, and of democracy.

RABBI WILLIAM P. GREENFELD

Indianapolis.

Editor's Note: I did not recently join the ranks of the Labor Zionists. I was a member of the League for Labor Palestine when I lived in Louisville. On moving to Indianapolis, where there is no Labor Zionist group, my membership lapsed. I was asked this year to rejoin, and was glad to do so. I am a member of the executive committee of the Ohio Valley Zionist Region (Z.O.A.).

BERLIN RABBI SAYS DID NOT ASSAIL JEWS IN OLIVER TWIST PROTEST

Editor, National Jewish Post:

Due to a great deal of traveling I have done recently in Israel and Great Britain, it is only now that I have received a copy of the March 4 issue of The National Jewish Post.

In Rabbi Silver's Digest of the Yiddish Press, I find a news item concerning the Berlin Jewish community and myself which is so preposterously false that I feel induced to break a personal tradition of never trying to correct distorted newspaper reports.

I should like it known that, contrary to Rabbi Silver's "special cable," I never apologized to the owner of "Die Kurbel" for the demonstrations which took place in front of this cinema in protest against the performance of the British film, "Oliver Twist." Also, contrary to his "dispatch" neither I nor any other authorized Jewish official in Berlin made any distinction between Polish and German Jews who reside in Berlin. On the contrary, everyone emphatically affirmed that the Jewish community as a whole, regardless of political, religious or geographical distinctions, opposed the public showing of what, under German conditions, must be a stimulus to anti-Semitism.

Contrary to Rabbi Silver's statements, I have not returned to Germany from what he calls "an American visit," but I am an American and a member of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

When the National Jewish

Post can find more reliable reporters with whom I can establish contact, I shall be glad to give a correct and conscientious description of the events which actually did take place in Berlin in connection with the showing of the film.

RABBI STEVEN G. SCHWARZSCHILD

Berlin

Ed. Note: The Post thanks Rabbi Schwarzschild for straightening out the record, but notes with surprise that despite what appears to be a very careful reading by Rabbi Schwarzschild of the column in question and his recognition that the item was from a digest of the Yiddish Press, he nevertheless assumes that Rabbi Silver was in some fashion his own press association.

Rabbi Schwarzschild has a case, indeed, if the facts The Post reprinted are indeed as far off the mark as he says they are. But his complaint should be directed to the MORGEN JOURNAL, where the original dispatch actually appeared. In no sense whatever did The Post print any report from a correspondent of its own on the Berlin demonstrations.

Rabbi Schwarzschild is here with cordially invited to report to Post readers his eye-witness version of the first political demonstration by German Jews since the Hitler terror was unleashed in Germany. B.G.

Jewish Bundists Denounce Zionism

MUNICH—(WNS)—A resolution denouncing Zionism and opposing liquidation of the DP camps passed this week at the third annual conference of Jewish Bundists in displaced persons camps.

The 42 delegates, representing 285 Bundists, opposed the liquidation of the camps on the ground that the Zionists were exploiting the situation to "force Jews in the camps to emigrate to Israel." The resolution lashed out against Zionist nationalism, declaring that Jewish existence can be safeguarded only via international socialism.

A pictorial stamp honoring Jerusalem was sold in Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem to mark the opening of the Constituent Assembly in that city.

Jerusalem now consumes a total of 30 tons of margarine per month, about 60 per cent of last year's figure. Half of this amount is supplied by a local firm.

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Should Sisterhood Hold Affair On Saturday?

Editor, National Jewish Post:

Please do not mention my name in connection with this inquiry, for obvious reasons. Would like your opinion about a Reform Sisterhood that ran a money-raising public rummage sale here this past Saturday? Christian neighbors of mine cannot understand why such an affair is permitted by a Congregation that professes to believe that Saturday should be observed, regardless of the actions of individual members of that congregation.

A READER

See Defeat For FEPC In Penna; Deal Denied

PHILADELPHIA — Pennsylvania's FEPC law seems doomed for defeat at this session of the State legislature despite the high hopes felt at the beginning of the session with the support of Governor James Duff and the inclusion of FEPC in the Republican Party platform at the last state election.

The bill was killed in the Senate Judiciary General Committee by a secret vote of 14 to 8. Governor Duff denied a charge that he had made a deal on FEPC legislation with G. Mason Owlett, president of the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association.

Brazil Vandal Indicted For Act

BUENOS AIRES—(JTA)—Fernando Mantaras, who burned a wreath placed by Jews at the foot of a monument honoring Argentina's national hero, Grau San Martin, following this country's recognition of Israel, was this week indicted following a

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in third year interior decorating course, and with arts and crafts experience desire summer employment in a camp, location immaterial. Dept. SH, National Jewish Post, Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

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HERZL'S REMAINS TO REST ON CARMEL; OBSTACLES TO TRANSFER REMOVED

TEL AVIV—(JTA)—The remains of Dr. Theodor Herzl, founder of the modern Zionist movement, will be transferred to Israel this year and interred on Mt. Carmel, according to his wishes, Dr. A. Lauterbach, of the World Zionist Organization, announced.

Dr. Lauterbach said that obstacles which had previously blocked agreement on transferring the Herzl remains had now been overcome, although many Zionists are still insistent that the remains should be interred in Jerusalem. Dr. Herzl died in 1904 and is buried in Vienna.

ILGWU Gives UJA \$250,000 For Drive

NEW YORK—(JTA)—A check for \$250,000 was presented to the United Jewish Appeal this week by David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, on behalf of his organization. The contribution exceeds the union's 1948 gift to the UJA by \$100,000. Dubinsky also announced that his union had lent \$500,000 to the Jewish Agency.

The \$250,000 check was turned over by Dubinsky to Henry Morgenthau, Jr., general chairman of the national UJA campaign. Accepting the contribution, Morgenthau emphasized that it represented the largest individual gift ever made by a union to a philanthropic organization.

preliminary court hearing in Santa Fe.

The prosecution charged that Mantaras set fire to the wreath "under force of anti-Jewish feelings." The judge stated that such feelings are "abhorrent, anti-democratic and anti-Argentine."

Agronomist Rosen Dies At Age of 73

NEW YORK (JTA)—Dr. Joseph A. Rosen, noted agronomist and colonization authority who directed the resettlement of 250,000 Jews on farm in the Crimea and Ukraine after World War I, died this week at his home here. He was 73 years old.

As director of the American Jewish Joint Agricultural Corporation (Agro-Joint), he supervised farm settlement projects in Russia in behalf of Jews who had been deprived of their citizenship rights following the Russian revolution.

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Jews In Sports

CAL ABRAMS LIKELY DODGER; N. Y. FIGHT FANS IGNORE ROSS

By HASKELL COHEN

SHIRLEY POVICH, the veteran sportswriter of The Washington Post, likes to tell a story concerning Joe Kuhel, present day Senator manager, when that worthy was cavorting at first base for the lowly Griffith men.

Povich took a verbal rap at Kuhel for some misdeed and the fast initial sacker tried to tear Shirley apart. When Griffith heard of the fracas he fined Kuhel one hundred dollars. "I will not have my baseball players taking pokes at my writers," Griff admonished the player. A few days later Kuhel received a fifty dollar check from a fan who wrote, "Here is fifty bucks toward your fine. I would have mailed you the whole hundred dollars if you had not missed Povich when you swung at him."

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DESPITE the dark mutterings of Manager Burt Shotton it looks as though Cal Abrams has cinched an outfield berth with the Brooklyn Dodgers. A few days ago Shotton told writers, "I'm going to give Abrams enough rope to hang himself." It appeared that the skipper wasn't overly impressed with Cal despite the Jewish boy's heavy hitting and good fielding. Shotton wanted to see how the boy would bounce back after going hitless a day or two. Abrams had a nine game hitting streak and was, batting .350 before going hitless in a contest.

Once he was stopped, Shotton wanted to see if the kid would brood or bounce back. On the following day, Cal answered by boffing out four hits in five attempts to virtually clinch the leadoff spot on the team and relegate Marv Rackley to the bench or back to the minors. Abrams has more power than

Rackley, is stronger on defense and has exhibited a stronger arm. Rackley, the leadoff hitter on the club last year, is a bingle hitter and rather weak armed.

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TWENTY YEARS to the day he first appeared in New York as a Golden Glove, Barney Ross attended the latest viewing of the Golden Gloves inter-city finals at Madison Square Garden without getting a tumble from the crowd. Not one of the many fighters who appeared remotely resembled the fighter who emerged from Chicago a score of years ago to beat the best among the lightweights and welterweights.

Ross is quite the pudgy boy now and has gone into the butter and egg business with former lightweight king Bob Olin.

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NELSON BOBB, who starred on Temple's basketball five this year, has been drafted by the Philadelphia Warriors of the Basketball Association of America. Nellie was selected to Look magazine's District Two sectional team.

Days after most hoop quintets doffed their raiment for the season, Abe Saperstein's amazing Harlem Globetrotters continued to break attendance records. The latest record to go was that at the Louisville Armory, last week, when over 8,000 people jammed in to watch the Trotters lose an overtime one-point contest to an all star college five.

Even the great University of Kentucky club did not draw as well as the colored hoop magicians. Not a box office was open before the game. All seats went days in advance. People stood 16 deep all around the building. A public notice was printed in the papers to inform those who could not get in that the Trotters might return within a fortnight.

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SYD POLLACK is getting ready for another successful year with his Cincinnati Clowns baseball nine. Syd's boys are great hits in the midwest and are now being followed by big league scouts on the lookout for top Negro baseball talent.

Israel's diamond cutting industry is considered remarkably high, in the estimation of London experts, according to a report appearing on the financial page of the New York Times. The report says that this industry in Israel is more than an eighth of the current world total.

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Maccabi Union Plans World Tourney In Israel

LONDON (JTA) — The World Maccabi Union has announced that the first international athletic competition sponsored by the organization will be held in Israel in September, 1950, a Reuters dispatch from Amsterdam reported. Delegates from ten European countries and Israel attended the Amsterdam meeting, the report added.

Jews In Bloody Battle Over Nazi Actress

NURENBERG — (WNS) — A bloody battle occurred between uprooted Jews and German police and officials in the town of Beirut, suburb of Nuremberg, when the Nazi actress Christine Seidenbaum attempted to give a performance in the town's theatre.

Christine Seidenbaum, who played an important role in the anti-Semitic film, "Jew Sues," was giving a performance when the irate Jews gathered around the theatre in a demonstration of protest. The demonstrators were dispersed with clubs by American military and German police following a clash with theatre-goers who mocked and jeered the Jewish demonstrators.

When the theatre was cleared of Jews, the actress asked the audience to join her in the singing of Nazi hymns. Between acts the audience shouted "Hitler will return" and "death to the accursed Jews."

Rep. Somers, Backer Of Irgun, Dies At 54

NEW YORK — (NJP) — Rep. Andrew L. Somers of Brooklyn, Roman Catholic co-chairman of the now-defunct American League for a Free Palestine, died here last week at the age of 54.

The one-time vigorous U. S. supporter of the terrorist Irgun Zvai Leumi, stirred considerable controversy in Jewish circles.

Last summer, in his capacity as co-chairman of the Bergson-front group, he visited Israel and returned to excoriate the provisional Government for its fight against the Irgun in connection with the Altalena gun-boat running.

4,000 Study Hebrew in N. Y.

NEW YORK (JTA) — A total of 4,000 New York City high school students are now studying Hebrew as part of their regular courses of study, the annual report of the Hebrew Culture Council revealed this week. The Council, an affiliate of the Jewish Educational Committee of this city, said that the figure represents an increase of 21 per cent over last year.

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Leading Jewish Groups Ask U.S. To Cancel German Industry Fair

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NEW YORK — After lengthy private debate, six national Jewish organizations called on the United States Government to cancel the German Industries fair which opened this week with an incident and some picketing.

The six groups were the American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Congress, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the Jewish Labor Committee, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (Reform) and 27 Jewish Community Councils.

An unidentified youth tossed a swastika flag over a balcony at a preview of the fair Friday. He escaped before he could be seized by private police hired by the exhibition officials who said they had been warned of possible sabotage by left-wing groups.

James H. Sheldon, administrative chairman of the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League, which has assailed the exhibit as dominated by former Nazis, had a complaint against the left-wing Joint Committee to Combat Anti-Semitism.

He said that a large part of the League's material criticizing the fair had been "lifted" by the Joint Committee, a defense agency of the pro-Communist Jewish People's Fraternal Order and American Jewish-Labor Council.

The Joint Committee sponsored five pickets who appeared outside of the Museum of Science and Industry where the exhibit is being staged. They were joined by 13 more pickets, all of whom left after a few hours but promised to return.

The joint statement of the Jewish organizations said that the rehabilitation of the German economy would contribute to world peace and security "but only on a democratic basis."

The statement bluntly rejected the reported screening by the U. S. Military Government of known Nazis and Nazi sympathizers from the German industry representatives to the exhibit, which has drawn sharp fire from the Yiddish press as a "convention of murderers." (NJP) April 8).

"This means merely that they cannot personally come here to see products manufactured by the industries they represent," the statement said in commenting on the screening. "It is not enough to screen Nazis out of the German Industries Fair. We must screen Nazis out of German industry."

The decision to protest the fair involved private discussions among the organizations as to the wisdom of opposing in any way the determined drive by the United States to rebuild Germany industrially as swiftly as possible.

This determination, experts agree, is responsible for the complete failure of the Nazi de-Nazification program, for the return of former Nazis to top posts in the Allied-held sectors of Germany and the fast-growing resurgence of open anti-Semitism.

MICH. VETS START U.S. DRIVE TO KEEP ILSE KOCH IN PRISON

LANSING, Mich. — A Michigan war veterans group, claiming to represent 600,000 veterans, voted this week to urge all veterans organizations to protest the freeing of Ilse Koch from prison in Germany.

The Consolidated War Veterans Councils of Michigan gave its support to a one-man drive started recently by Al Atkins of Detroit, who served in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

Poison-Gas Maker Gets Trifling Term

LONDON — (JTA) — Jewish communities in the German province of Hesse termed "a mockery of justice" a five-year prison sentence imposed this week on Dr. Gerhardt Peters, manager of a firm which supplied the Gestapo with poison gas for exterminating Jews in concentration camps, Reuters reported from Frankfurt.

"While the ashes of millions of victims have been strewn to the four winds, the merchants of death are riding high," the Association of Jewish Communities of Hesse said. "We call on all those who survived the hell of Auschwitz to raise their voices against the mockery of justice," the Association added, according to the news agency. Two of Peters' associates were acquitted.

Hebrew University teachers are now giving lectures in the Negev.

Atkins, who was imprisoned at Buchenwald camp, where Frau Koch collected lampshades made of the skin of human victims of torture, has been fighting to win public support to imprison the Witch of Buchenwald for life. She is scheduled to go free in October. From Munich, meanwhile, came a report that Soviet authorities want to place the woman on trial. German authorities at Weimer in the Soviet Zone asked for her custody.

Earlier, Gen. Lucius D. Clay, U. S. Military Governor, said the AMG was investigating whether new charges could be lodged against the woman for crimes against German nationals.

Clay said she could not be tried again by the U. S. military government commission without violating double jeopardy.

The Israeli Legation in Moscow now occupies a newly reconditioned 12-room building complete with fully electrified kitchens and laundry. For the past six months the Legation had occupied temporary headquarters in the Hotel Metropole.

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BOBBY ATE CHOMETS—AND SUFFERED

THIS was no ordinary Tuesday. The delicious fragrance of special holiday delicacies permeated the house. There was a shiny new tea kettle on the stove, the dishes that were never used except for the Passover week sparkled in the cupboard, the bread box had disappeared from its customary place on the side board, and in its stead there was an almost empty box of Matzoh.

Mother sighed as she looked around her bright modern kitchen. The last days of Chol Hamoed — two more days and another Pesach would be a memory. It had been a pleasant holiday. For the children especially the days had been filled with happy festivities. Now they were almost over, but for eight-year-old Freddy and five-year-old Bobby there was another treasure to store in their private chest of memories. For the two little boys it had been an observant holiday richly filled with ritual. These were the days they would always long for no matter where destiny and the swiftly passing years would take them.

Mother smiled to herself as she recalled how the boys had plotted the afternoon of the first Seder.

"Now listen, Bobby," Freddy had coached his younger brother, "Remember, watch your chance, and don't get silly 'n giggle like a girl! Last year you laughed right out loud and grandpa caught me red handed trying 't steal the afikomen."

"Well, gee, Freddy, you were stretching so far out of your chair to reach under grandpa's pillow, I had 't laugh."

"Well you just keep asking him questions about the Seder and never mind how I look. On this night no one cares how many questions a child asks. Remember just keep him talking till I get it."

"Maybe it'll be on my side, Freddy; maybe I'll steal it."

"That's O.K., Bob, if it's closer 'you go after it, and I'll see if I can keep him busy. But, Bobby, don't forget: no matter which one of us gets it, we're gonna ask for some more tracks for our electric train."

Either way the boys couldn't lose. What a happy night that was. The Seder was a pageant with everyone taking part. It had everything, ceremonies, songs, stories, and pranks. There was good food, good drink, and good fellowship. And through it all hope for future was rekindled, and young and old were reminded

of their eventful history.

In the days that followed the boys sternly disciplined themselves against chomets. Freddy, who could go for weeks without craving a single piece of candy, developed a sudden passion for chometsdiga confections. Audibly he sighed for the first moment when he could spend his whole weeks allowance—a fortune of 25 cents—at the corner candy counter. Bobby walked around like a cherub with a sterling silver halo around his head reminding anyone who would listen how he had saved Freddy from sin by seizing the bubble gum out of his brother's hand just as forgetful Freddy was about to pop it into his mouth.

"You're sure lucky I was there, Fred," he'd remind his brother. "Jewish children don't chew gum on Pesach!"

Now Chol Hamoed was almost over and just two more days of the holiday remained. The sudden ring of the back door bell jarred mother out of her reverie. It was five-year-old Bobby home from kindergarten. Unhappiness was written all over his usually shining countenance, and his eyes were bright with unshed tears. The front of his little red sweater bore tell tale signs of spilled vanilla ice cream and in his hand he carried the usual offering — a picture he had painted.

"Hi, Bobby, how's my big fellow?" Mother chose to ignore the sweet smelling sweater.

"Hi, mommy, I painted a picture for you, see."

"Why, Bobby, how lovely. Tell me about it." Mother always said, "tell me about it" instead of "what is it? At five it was beginning to be quite evident that Bobby's talents did not lie in the direction of creative art.

"It's a house, and a tree, and this is the chimney."

"Why, that's very good son. I think it's good enough to show off. Let's get some tape and hang it on the wall of your room." Mother was trying to put a smile on that sorrowful little face.

"Aw, it's not that good," Bobby couldn't work up an enthusiasm for anything; he had things on his mind. "Mommy, we had a treat in school 'tday. It was Linda's birthday."

"Why how nice of Linda to treat the class." Mother didn't force the issue.

"She served paper cups with ice cream in it. She—she—" Bobby's voice was beginning to falter, "She served me one too, mommy."

"Did you eat it, Bob?"

"Well, first I didn't, 'n then I looked around at everybody and they were all eating." Big round tears stood in Bobby's troubled

Things To Think About

Pesach! For me the holiday holds so many, many, memories — each one a story in itself. Someday I'm going to tell you my favorite one: the first Seder in my grandfather's home . . . the long table . . . the many uncles, aunts, cousins, gathered together perhaps the first time in months . . . and at the head of the table my venerable zide Yitzchok, dressed in his white kitel . . . What does Pesach make you think of? I'm sure many of you could write a story too.

D. W.

eyes, "n so I looked back to see what Judy was doin', she's Jewish y'know, and, and, Mommy, she was absent!"

"So you ate it." Mother wanted to spare Bobby the bitter details. The tears were streaming down his cheeks. Bobby brushed them aside with the back of his little hand and grimly continued. He wanted no easy way out.

"I didn't know what to do, so I picked up the little spoon and ate real fast. I was the first one finished."

"You started last and finished first? Why did you eat so fast, honey?"

"'Cause I didn't want to taste it; I just wanted t'be through with it so I could throw that old cup in the waste basket, and—mommy, I—I—spilled a lot of it on my sweater. Oh, mommy, what can I do now?" The storm that had been brewing had broken. Bobby, a repentant sinner, lay sobbing in his mother's arms.

Mother stroked the curly brown head. Bobby was just five, and already for him the battle had begun. This was no time to talk of self discipline and surely now, his conscience was his severest punishment.

"Bobby, darling, if you didn't want to eat the ice cream you just should have said, 'thank you, Linda, but I don't eat ice cream on Passover.'"

"Like Linda doesn't eat candy during lent, Mommy?"

"Something like that, Bob, but if you think you've done wrong, then ask God to forgive you. He's kind, son, He'll understand how you felt."

Bobby was a practical little boy. With one wipe of his sleeve the tears were removed. Then piously he raised his eyes, "Dear God: forgive me for eating ice cream on Pesach, and would you please remember I saved Freddy from chewing the bubble gum. Amen."

Young Robert slipped from his mother's lap. His halo had tipped a little, but it was now straight again.

Mother smiled. Two more days of Pesach!

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Did You Steal The Afikomen?

DEAR Boys and Girls, shalom: "Why, oh why, did we ever leave Egypt?" they cried.

Well, how many of you were lucky enough to find and "steal" the Afikomen at the Seder this past week? I've received reports about some of you who were able to discover and make away with that very important Matzoh and later collected a very lovely reward. Nice going!

While reading through the Haggadah this week at the Seder table, I happened to think of a legend that I once heard.

When our people left Egypt and their slave-masters, it didn't take too long before Pharaoh, the king of the Egyptians, changed his mind about freeing the Hebrews. His heart hardened and he sent his army on horseback pursuing the fleeing former slaves.

As the Jewish people approached the Red Sea, some one discovered that in the distance, a cloud of dust appeared on the horizon, telling them that the Egyptians were on their way to recapture the people that was being led by Moses.

They looked about. In front of them was the treacherous Red Sea. To either side were high and dangerous mountains, and to the rear their enemy horsemen were rapidly approaching them.

What happened? Nothing, absolutely nothing. They waited and they wept. They mumbled

"Why, oh why, did we ever leave Egypt?" they cried.

Moses looked upon his people in silence.

They prayed to God to save them from death at the hands of their Egyptian masters.

Still nothing happened—but wait!—Out of the huge crowd that had assembled on the bank of the Red Sea stood a towering figure who began to slowly walk toward the sea. Head held high, eyes forward, this man who was called Nachshon, reached the waters and began to walk straight into the sea. The eyes of all the Israelites were upon this courageous man.

The huge waves lashed about him angrily. And when he reached the point where the water came to his neck, then the miracle of the splitting of Red Sea occurred, and the Jewish people crossed in safety.

The point of this legend is to teach us to always go ahead and to take action when we think something right should be done—not to just wait and wait, and to merely pray to God.

According to this story, God did not come to the aid of our people until he saw at least one person who was willing to swing into action instead of just crying for help. I think that perhaps this is a good lesson for all of us.

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U. S. Indicts Nine In Israeli Arms Case

LOS ANGELES—The Federal Government fired another shot this week at Americans who allegedly helped provide arms to the fighting Israeli in the Palestine war by returning a second batch of indictments.

The new indictments, returned here by a federal grand jury, named many of the persons indicted by a Federal Grand Jury last November in Miami.

Two of the Miami indictees, Carl T. Winters, a former army flyer, and Irwin Schindler, who piloted a surplus B-17 in a fantastic flight to the Azores last summer, pleaded guilty. They were not named in the Los Angeles indictment.

The grand jury indicted eight men, a woman and a corporation, charging them with trying to ship planes, parts and other war equipment to Jewish forces in violation of the arms embargo.

One of the defense attorneys for those indicated here announced as Bartley Crum, member of the Anglo-American commission on Palestine and noted Christian Zionist.

Those indicted here for violation of the Neutrality Act and Export Control law were Adolph W. Schwimmer, former president of Service Airways of New York; Ray Selk, former vice-president of the company; William Sosnow of New York; Sam R. Lewis, Leo Gardner, formerly of North Hollywood; Herman Greenspun of Las Vegas, Nev.; J. Leonard of New York; and Abraham J. Levin of North Hollywood. Service Airways also was named.

Elynor Rudnik, Schwimmer, Selk, Lewis and Service Airways were named in a second indictment here, charging a conspiracy to withhold material facts from the Government.

Whereabouts of 4 Unknown Schwimmer, Levin, Gardner, and Sosnow were among those indicted in Miami. They did not appear for surrender and their whereabouts were reportedly unknown.

Winters was given an 18 months sentence and \$10,000 fine, from which he is now appealing. Schindler received a suspended sentence. (NJP Feb. 11, March 18).

Crum, Isaac Patch and William

Strong, the defense attorneys, immediately issued a statement "deeply regretting the action taken by the Government."

"These defendants must be judged in the light of the situation confronting the Jews of Palestine and of Europe at the time the alleged acts were committed," the attorneys said.



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Edward A. Norman, President and Founder of the American Fund for Palestinian Institutions, flew to Israel last Saturday to survey the activities of the 99 cultural, educational, social welfare and religious institutions in Israel that are beneficiaries of the American Fund's 1949 campaign for \$2,318,000. Mr. Norman is secretary of the American Jewish Committee.

Late in May Mr. Norman will present a gift of over one hundred paintings and pieces of sculpture donated by American artists to the museums of Israel through the American Fund. The ceremony will take place at the opening of an exhibit of the collection at the Tel Aviv Museum.

Truman Receives Elath; Hears Hebrew Speech

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Truman heard a Hebrew speech from the lips of Eliahu Elath, first Israel Ambassador of the United States, as part of the protocol of the ceremony of presentation. The brief formal address was translated for the President, who told Elath that peace between Israel and her Arab neighbors is desirable and possible.

A J Committee Head Plans Israel All Aid

TEL AVIV (JTA)—The American Jewish Committee appreciates Israel's needs which must be met to enable her to carry out the tasks of rehabilitation and absorption of new immigrants, Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Committee and spokesman for an A. J. C. delegation now visiting Israel at the invitation of Premier David Ben Gurion, said at a press conference.

The A. J. C. will do everything possible to aid the United Jewish Appeal campaign and to assist in the investment of private capital in Israel, Blaustein added. The Committee deputation earlier visited several immigrant reception centers and members of the delegation reported that they were very favorably impressed with Israel's achievements in this field, adding that large-scale housing programs were the Jewish state's primary need.

80% of Mass. Schools Ask 'Religion' on Entry

BOSTON—The hearing on a state bill forbidding schools and colleges to practice discrimination listened to charges by the American Jewish Congress that 80 per cent of Massachusetts institutions ask discriminatory questions on their application blanks. All but 29 of 143 schools' entry applications checked contain such questions, Edward L. Schoenberg, president of the New England Section of the Congress, told the hearing.

Israeli ships are now carrying Jewish immigrants to Israel. More than half of the 29,000 immigrants who arrived in Israel during December, 1948, were brought over by Israeli ships.

NETHERLANDS CHIEF RABBI IN APPEAL AS WAR ORPHANS ARE BAPTIZED

AMSTERDAM—(JTA)—Netherlands Chief Rabbi J. Tal this week appealed to the Ministry of Justice to take action immediately to "remedy the appalling situation regarding the guardianship for war orphans which is leading in many cases to the estrangement of Jewish children from their parental faith and baptism."

Rabbi Tal's message pointed out that the "legal principle or procuring guardianship for each child in accordance with the religion of the parents is being increasingly ignored by the War Orphans Commission in the case of Jewish children."

The Netherlands Chief Rabbi urged the formation of a new commission on which Jews would be represented. The wire to the Justice Ministry also made a special request that "utmost efforts be made to find the kidnapped Jewish girls, Betty Melhado and Adele Beekman."

3 Rabbinical Bodies Take Action Against Rabbi In Orthodox Tilt

PHILADELPHIA—Internal differences among the local Orthodox rabbinate reached a high point last week when Rabbi David Novoseller was dropped or asked to resign from three rabbinical groups for his part in organizing the Rabanut Harshit (Chief Rabinate) the week before.

This new group was accused of seizing the mantle of Chief Rabbi B. L. Levinthal without permission or authority. Rabbi Levinthal is in advanced years and is ill and unable to fulfill all his rabbinical duties at the present time, and is living in Atlantic City.

Rabbi Novoseller organized the Rabanut Harshit with Rabbi Morris Schnall, Nathan Bernstein and Arthur Weiss. He was dropped by the Vaad Hakashruth, the Merkaz (Council of Rabbis) and the Rabbinical Association. The Merkaz also dropped the other three rabbis.

The Vaad Hakashruth's action

in dropping Novoseller strips him of authority to supervise kashruth in the city's kosher butcher and poultry stores. He is still permitted to supervise kashruth at the slaughter houses where the Vaad has no authority. He is still a member of the Collegium of five Rabbis named by Rabbi Levinthal to take over his executive duties while he is ill and away.

The Vaad Hakashruth was founded more than fifty years ago by Rabbi Levinthal and supervises the kashruth in Philadelphia's butcher shops and poultry stores.

Rabbi David M. Wachtfogel, newly elected president of the Rabbinical Association of Philadelphia, made up of Orthodox rabbis, told the Post that while Novoseller's action in forming the Rabanut Harshit was one of the factors causing that group to request Novoseller's resignation it was not the only one.

He said the other reasons were purely internal ones and that he did not wish to disclose them at this time.

The Council of Rabbis is a splinter group of Orthodox rabbis just organized recently to include the younger and older rabbis together.

You Can Marry On May 4 Too Now

JERUSALEM, (JTA)—The Israeli Chief Rabbinate this week ordered that the anniversary of the proclamation of Israeli statehood—which falls on the fifth day of Iyar—be considered henceforth comparable to the festival of L'ag B'omer. Wedding ceremonies, which are not permissible during the seven-week period between Passover and Shavuoth except on L'ag B'omer, may now be performed on the anniversary of Israel's proclamation of statehood, the rabbinate's orders said.

80 Per Cent of Children Enrolled In Jewish All-Day Schools

Vigorous But Sparse Mexican Jewry Fighting To Survive

NEW YORK (NJP)—A prosperous vigorous Jewish community which fears a slow extinction in the future because of a ban on immigration of Jews is the portrait of Mexican Jewry outlined recently by a Hapoel Hamizrachi leader.

The report by Dr. Simon Federbush, honorary U. S. president of the religious labor Zionists, makes it plain that unlike U. S. Jewry, Mexican Jewish community life is democratically organized.

"Mexican Jewry can be considered the best organized Jewish community in this hemisphere because its central representative body embraces all shades of Jewry there, and has been democratically elected," Dr. Federbush reports in the January Jewish HORIZON, official organ of Hapoel Hamizrachi.

Religiously, Mexican Jews are organized in four congregations: Congregation Nidchei Israel in Mexico City, Ashkenazi Jews; the Congregation of the Sephardic Jews; Congregation Mount Sinai, Jews of Damascus origin; and the Congregation of Aleppo (Syrian) Jews.

"These congregations, as well as the Jews outside them, are now organized in the Central Committee of Mexican Jews," Dr. Federbush reports. "The Committee was selected on the basis of democratic elections in February, 1948."

In those elections the Zionists received eight mandates out of 15, thus winning a majority of the Committee. A group called the Independents won two seats, the Bund won two and the leftist People's League won two.

"The Central Committee is now the legitimate rep-

resentative of the whole Jewry, and has embarked upon a program of centralizing in its hands the educational, relief, and anti-defamation activities, as well as the conduct of the United campaign for local and international agencies," the report says.

This portion of the report did not mention the public trials of Mexican Jews which rocked the Jewish community there last summer and which were reported to the world in September, two months before Dr. Federbush's visit. (NJP Sept. 10, 1948.)

Recently, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency reported that there will be no unified fund campaign in the Mexican Jewish community because of differences of opinion among Mexican Zionists.

Local needs are handled by a local fund-raising organization this year with the Mexican Zionists preparing independent drives for such Israel projects as the Jewish National Fund. (NJP Feb. 18).

This vigorous communal excitement may in part be the effervescence of youth. Mexican Jewry, according to Dr. Federbush, is one of the younger Jewish communities in Latin America "having come into being during the last three decades."

It is also a small community of about 20,000 Jews, with 17,000 in Mexico City and about 3,000 scattered throughout the rest of Mexico.

One of the more remarkable achievements of this young Jewish community is its record in education for its children. According to Dr. Federbush "more than 80 per cent of the Jewish children are attending Jewish schools," which is almost the exact re-

verse of American Jewish children of whom at least 80 per cent get no Jewish education of any sort.

The comparatively tiny community—the city of Detroit has almost five times as many Jews as does all of Mexico—supports an amazing system of schools.

These include the Yiddishist school with 900 pupils; the Yavne school, sponsored by the Congregation Nidchei Israel, a Mizrahi national religious school, with 500 elementary and high school pupils; the Hebrew Tarbut (Jews from Turkey) school with 200 pupils; the Sephardic Tarbut school with 300 pupils; the Hebrew school (talmud Torah) of Congregation Mount Sinai, with 500 pupils, and the Congregation Rodfei Zedec (Syrian Jews) a religious school, with 100 pupils.

The attendance is not less surprising than the fact that all of these are parochial schools. They contain one department for general subjects and a second department for Jewish instruction.

There is considerable shortage of teachers and since the Mexican government bans immigration except from the United States, Mexican Jewry are busy setting up their own seminaries.

The Yiddishist school has its own Seminary whose first eight teachers—all girls—were graduated during Federbush's visit. This school of course, is not the answer to the schools where Hebrew is the language, and about 20 Mexican Jewish youth are now attending Yeshiva University and Torah Vodaath in New York City.